



#### **State Water Resources Control Board**

March 21, 2019

System No. 2910013

James Mathias, Assistant Chief Washington Ridge Conservation Camp 11425 Conservation Camp Road Nevada City, CA 95959

CITATION NO. 01-09-19C-004 TOTAL COLIFORM MONITORING VIOLATION FOR DECEMBER 2018 AND JANUARY 2019

Enclosed is Citation No. 01-09-19C-004 (hereinafter "Citation"), issued to the Washington Ridge Conservation Camp (hereinafter "Washington Ridge C.C."), public water system. Please note that there are legally enforceable deadlines associated with this Citation.

The Washington Ridge C.C. will be billed at the State Water Resources Control Board's (hereinafter "State Water Board"), hourly rate for the time spent on issuing this Citation. California Health and Safety Code, (hereinafter "CHSC"), Section 116577, provides that a public water system must reimburse the State Water Board for actual costs incurred by the State Water Board for specified enforcement actions, including but not limited to, preparing, issuing and monitoring compliance with a citation. At this time, the State Water Board has spent approximately 2 hour(s) on enforcement activities associated with this violation.

The Washington Ridge C.C. will receive a bill sent from the State Water Board in August of the next fiscal year. This bill will contain fees for any enforcement time spent on the Washington Ridge C.C. for the current fiscal year.

Any person who is aggrieved by a citation, order or decision issued <u>under authority delegated to an officer or employee of the state board</u> under Article 8 (commencing with CHSC, Section 116625) or Article 9 (commencing with CHSC, Section 116650), of the Safe Drinking Water Act (CHSC, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4), may file a petition with the State Water Board for reconsideration of the citation, order or decision.

Petitions must be received by the State Water Board within 30 days of the issuance of the citation, order or decision by the officer or employee of the state board. The date of issuance is the date when the Division of Drinking Water mails a copy of the citation, order or decision. If the 30th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday, the petition is due the following business day by 5:00 p.m.

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Information regarding filing petitions may be found at:

# http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking water/programs/petitions/index.shtml

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Austin Peterson, P.E. of my staff at (916) 341-5559 or me at (916) 445-5285.

Sincerely,

Ali R. Rezvani, P.E.

Sacramento District Engineer

Division of Drinking Water

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

**Enclosures** 

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cc: Catrie Levinson, REHS

Nevada County Environmental Health Department

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# STATE OF CALIFORNIA STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER

Name of Public Water System: Washington Ridge Conservation Camp

Water System No: 2910013

Attention: James Mathias, Assistant Chief

11425 Conservation Camp Road

Nevada City, CA 95959

Issued: March 21, 2019

# CITATION FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE, SECTION 116555(a)(1) AND CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22, SECTION 64423

# TOTAL COLIFORM MONITORING VIOLATION DECEMBER 2018 AND JANUARY 2019

The California Health and Safety Code (hereinafter "CHSC"), Section 116650 authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board (hereinafter "State Water Board"), to issue a citation to a public water system when the State Water Board determines that the public water system has violated or is violating the California Safe Drinking Water Act (hereinafter "California SDWA"), (CHSC, Division 104,

Part 12, Chapter 4, commencing with Section 116270), or any regulation, standard, 1 permit, or order issued or adopted thereunder. 2 3 The State Water Board, acting by and through its Division of Drinking Water 4 (hereinafter "Division"), and the Deputy Director for the Division, hereby issues 5 Citation No. 01-09-19C-004 (hereinafter "Citation"), pursuant to Section 116650 of 6 the CHSC to the Washington Ridge Conservation Camp (hereinafter "Washington 7 Ridge C.C."), for violation of CHSC, Section 116555(a)(1) and California Code of 8 Regulations (hereinafter "CCR"), Title 22, Section 64423. 9 10 11 STATEMENT OF FACTS 12 The Washington Ridge C.C. is classified as a Community Water System public 13 water system with a population of 80, serving one (1) connection. The Washington 14 Ridge C.C. operates under Domestic Water Supply Permit No. 01-89-006 issued 15 by the State Water Board on July 26, 1989. 16 17 CHSC, Section 116555(a)(1) requires all public water systems to comply with 18 primary drinking water standards as defined in CHSC, Section 116275(c). Primary 19 drinking water standards include maximum levels of contaminants and the 20 monitoring and reporting requirements as specified in regulations adopted by the 21 State Water Board that pertain to maximum contaminant levels. 22 23 CCR, Title 22, Section 64421(a)(2) states that each water supplier shall collect 24 routine, repeat and replacement samples as required in Sections 64423, 64424 25 and 64425. Section 64423 states that a water supplier shall collect routine 26

bacteriological water samples based on the known population served or the total

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number of service connections, whichever results in the greater number of samples.

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As of the date of this Citation, the State Water Board received no results for routine bacteriological sample(s) taken during December 2018 and January 2019.

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#### **DETERMINATION**

In accordance with CCR, Title 22, Section 64423, the Washington Ridge C.C. was required to collect one (1) bacteriological sample during December 2018 and one (1) bacteriological sample during January 2019. Therefore, the State Water Board has determined that the Washington Ridge C.C. has failed to comply with drinking water standards pursuant to CHSC, Section 116555(a)(1) and CCR, Title 22, Section 64423 during December 2018 and January 2019.

#### **DIRECTIVES**

The Washington Ridge C.C. is hereby directed to take the following actions:

- 1. By April 19, 2019, notify all persons served by the Washington Ridge C.C. of the violation of CCR, Title 22, Section 64423, in conformance with Sections 64463.4(b) and (c) and 64465. Contents of Appendix 1: Notification Template must be approved by the State Water Board prior to issuance. The Washington Ridge C.C. must edit the wording of the sample notification as necessary. The notification must be completed in accordance with the following:
  - By one of the following methods to reach persons not likely to be reached by mail or direct delivery;

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- > By publication in a local newspaper, by delivery to community organizations, or by posting in conspicuous public places served by the water system or on the internet. If the water system opts to issue the notice via internet website, the public notice must remain posted for a minimum of seven (7) consecutive days.
- Complete Appendix 2: Compliance Certification Form. Submit it together with a copy of the public notification required by Directive 1 to the State Water Board by April 19, 2019.
- 3. The Washington Ridge C.C. must include this violation in the 2018 Consumer Confidence Report in accordance with CCR, Title 22, Section 64481(g)(1).
- 4. By April 19, 2019, complete and return to the State Water Board the "Notification of Receipt" form attached to this Citation as Appendix 3. Completion of this form confirms that the Washington Ridge C.C. has received this Citation and understands that it contains legally enforceable directives(s) with due dates.

All submittals required by this Citation must be electronically submitted to the State Water Board at the following address. The subject line for all electronic submittals corresponding to this Citation must include the following information: Water System name and number, citation number and title of the document being submitted.

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The State Water Board reserves the right to make modifications to this Citation as it may deem necessary to protect public health and safety. Such modifications may be issued as amendments to this Citation and shall be effective upon issuance.

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Nothing in this Citation relieves the Washington Ridge C.C. of its obligation to meet the requirements of the California SDWA (CHSC, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4, commencing with Section 116270), or any regulation, standard, permit or order issued or adopted thereunder.

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#### **PARTIES BOUND**

This Citation shall apply to and be binding upon the Washington Ridge C.C., its owners, shareholders, officers, directors, agents, employees, contractors, successors, and assignees.

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#### SEVERABILITY

The directives of this Citation are severable, and the Washington Ridge C.C. must comply with each and every provision thereof notwithstanding the effectiveness of any provision.

#### **FURTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTION**

The California SDWA authorizes the State Water Board to: issue a citation or order with assessment of administrative penalties to a public water system for violation or continued violation of the requirements of the California SDWA or any regulation, permit, standard, citation, or order issued or adopted thereunder including, but not limited to, failure to correct a violation identified in a citation or

compliance order. The California SDWA also authorizes the State Water Board to take action to suspend or revoke a permit that has been issued to a public water system if the public water system has violated applicable law or regulations or has failed to comply with an order of the State Water Board, and to petition the superior court to take various enforcement measures against a public water system that has failed to comply with an order of the State Water Board. The State Water Board does not waive any further enforcement action by issuance of this Citation. March 21, 2019 Date Ali R. Rezvani, P

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Appendices 3:

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1. Notification Template

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3. Notification of Receipt Form

2. Compliance Certification Form

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#### APPENDIX 1. NOTIFICATION TEMPLATE

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.

Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

# Monitoring Requirements Not Met for Washington Ridge Conservation Camp

Our water system failed to monitor as required for drinking water standards during the past year and, therefore, was in violation of the regulations. Even though this failure was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what you should do, what happened, and what we did to correct this situation.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During December 2018 and January 2019, we did not monitor or test for routine bacteriological samples and therefore, cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time.

#### What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do at this time.
- The table below lists the contaminant(s) we did not properly test for during the last year, how many samples we are required to take and how often, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date on which follow-up samples were (or will be) taken.

Contaminant	Required Sampling Frequency	Number of Samples Taken	When All Samples Should Have Been Taken	When Samples Were or Will Be Taken
	One (1) sample every month			

 If you have health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

## What happened? What is being done?

[Describe corrective action].

For more information, please contact [name of contact] at [phone number] or [mailing address].

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this public notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

## **Secondary Notification Requirements**

Upon receipt of notification from a person operating a public water system, the following notification must be given within 10 days [Health and Safety Code Section 116450(g)]:

- SCHOOLS: Must notify school employees, students, and parents (if the students' are minors).
- RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS OR MANAGERS (including nursing homes and care facilities): Must notify tenants.
- BUSINESS PROPERTY OWNERS, MANAGERS, OR OPERATORS: Must notify employees of businesses located on the property.

This notice is being sent to you by [s	ystem].		
State Water System ID#:	Date distributed:	•	

### APPENDIX 2. COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION

Citation Number: 01-09-19C-004

Name of Water System: Washington Ridge C.C.

System Number: 2910013

#### Certification

I certify that the users of the water supplied by this water system were notified of the bacteriological monitoring violation of California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 64423 for the compliance period of December 2018 and January 2019 and the required actions listed below were completed.

Required Action	Date Completed
(Citation Directive 1) Public Notification	
Method(s) Used:	
Method(s) Usea:	

Attach a copy of the public notice distributed to the water system's customers.

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE STATE WATER BOARD, DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER, NO LATER THAN APRIL 19, 2019

**Disclosure:** Be advised that the California Health and Safety Code, Sections 116725 and 116730 state that any person who knowingly makes any false statement on any report or document submitted for the purpose of compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act may be liable for, respectively, a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for each separate violation or, for continuing violations, for each day that violation continues, or be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 for each day of violation, or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.

# Appendix 3 – Notification of Receipt

Citation Number: 01-09-19C-004

Name of Water System: Washington Ridge C.C.

System Number: 2910013

#### Certification

I certify that I am an authorized representative of the Washington Ridge C.C	. and that Citation
No. 01-09-19C-004 was received on Further I cert	ify that the Citation
has been reviewed by the appropriate management staff of the Washington	Ridge C.C. and it is
clearly understood that Citation No. 01-09-19C-004 contains legally enforces	able directives with
specific due dates.	
Signature of Water System Representative	 Date

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